

equipment nor do most of those who know
 him believe
 that he is speaking the whole truth when, in
 Who's Who,
 he puts down "walking" as his recreation
 He does walk
 —but his walking is part of the regimen of the
 regulated life
 Of that regulated life, so definitely accepted
 and deter-
 minedly followed, the shape, in these early
 days, has a
 fairly simple outline The mornings
 were devoted to
 common work Lunch, more often than
 not, produced
 somebody, or several somebodies—the number
 very soon
 grew—to whom they wanted to talk, on whom
 they wanted
 to try out some idea connected with their
 work Then,
 on five afternoons of the week for nine months
 of the year,
 he trotted off to the London County Council,
 of which
 he was a most active member for eighteen
 years She
 occupied herself variously Perhaps
 some hours were
 devoted to that Diary she has kept all her life
 the Diary
 which supplies the most vivid portions of *My*
 Apprenticeship
 and will, when it is published in full, be one
 of the great
 books—though not for us She went out to
 see her friends,
 or they came to see her There was never
 a time when
 the call of friendship was not followed,
 thus, between
 1892 and his death (despite his expressed
 views on her
 marriage) she went down constantly to
 Brighton, to see
 old Herbert Spencer, and was at his side
 when he died
 in 1903 Many other instances there
 are, of swift and
 affectionate intervention on her part
 She might be
 rather too fond of trying to "arrange"³ the

lives of her
friends, but her attachments were
genuine, warm, and
lasting If, as time went on, they tended to
see more and
more of the people who could be "useful,"
that was part
of the price of the "life according to plan," to
which they
were committed That plan, in its turn,
gave to their
existence so much of a uniform texture,
that one may
well, here, try to see it, as it was to be, in
broad outline,
throughout the best part of forty years